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In the Application of :

**MATTHEW TODD HUPP** :

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Group Art Unit: 3727

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For: Slider For Opening Or Closing A Reclosable Fastener Disposed In A Two Dimensional Plane

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**[X]** A certification as specified in 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e) is submitted herewith.

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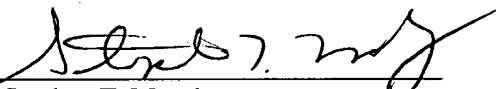
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